## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

## Donald Filiere, Director

## Robert Babin, Deputy Director

The town did not experience any major natural or man made disasters during the year.

We did not need to activate the Emergency Operations Center or a shelter.

The major activity this year was preparing all the documents and activities connected with the full certification of our Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC). We submitted the final application to MEMA for approval in February and received our final approval in May.

The Director and the Fire Chief worked with the day care providers in town on establishing evacuation plans.

A course was taught by our radiation specialist for all firefighters on the proper use of the Radiation Detection Instruments we have in town. This proved valuable on June 9<sup>th</sup> when we had an incident involving a potential radiation leak. A full HazMat response ensued and the incident was handled in a professional and timely manner.

We had the Red Cross conduct their survey and certify both the new High School and the Senior Center for emergency shelter use.

We assisted the town's Web Site Coordinator with the development of our web site.

The address is: WWW.SHREWSBURY-MA.GOV/SEMA

We prepared and submitted an "All Hazards Grant" application and were awarded a grant of \$8,100. This money is being used to update equipment and conduct training.

In September the Director participated as a Controller in the Worcester full scale Hazardous Material Exercise. This is valuable training which can then be used in our town for future exercises. We did hold a Table Tap Exercise involving a blizzard on November 12<sup>th</sup>. All Department Heads and assistants involved in handling a blizzard were in attendance.

On November 11<sup>th</sup>, the Director attended a full day LEPC Conference sponsored by the Mass. Emergency Management Agency (MEMA)